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Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, ovides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

| 1. | Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 | unda, |
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| | a. Previously submitted i. Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on AUG 29 (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered). ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on EVERT COO3 b. Enclosed i. Amendment/Reply ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) iv. Other | 114 Bet 20 |
| 2. | Miscellaneous | |
| : | a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required) b. Other | 1 |
| 3. | Fees The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed. | |
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MAKING SAME

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated February 21, 2003, the Applicant submits this paper along with a Request for Continued Examination. A Notice of Appeal was filed on June 23, 2003. Thus, this paper is timely submitted.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments being on page 9 of this paper.

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